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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media availability during elder abuse prevention conference *Keynote speaker has vast prosecuting experience*

Richmond, VA — Interviews will be available with Paul Greenwood, deputy district attorney from San Diego Calif., during a two-day conference in Virginia Beach. Greenwood and other professionals attending the May 31 – June 1 Virginia Coalition for the Prevention of Elder Abuse 13th Annual Conference will be available to speak on the mistreatment of the elderly – an important issue, but one that often is shrouded in silence and receives little public attention.

Greenwood is a prosecutor in the district attorney's office in San Diego, where he has prosecuted more than 200 felony cases of elder and dependent adult abuse. He has been featured on CBS and NBC. He will speak at 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. on Thursday, May 31 at the [Virginia Beach Resort and Conference Center](#). Private interviews prior to each session are available upon request.

Governor Timothy Kaine has proclaimed May as Elder Abuse Prevention Month. For more information on signs of abuse and prevention, visit:

<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/news/2007/index.cgi>

<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/aps.html>

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